

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS.

Official Proceedings of the Board of County Commissioners of Steele County.

Sherbrooke, N. D., Jan. 11, 1897.

Board of county commissioners met at 10 o'clock a. m. in special session pursuant to due notice given by the county auditor and due proof of such notice being made and filed.

Present Chairman Rindy and Commissioners Williams, Cochrane, King and Brown.

H. J. Rindy was sworn in as commissioner of the 3rd commissioner district and his office oath taken.

On motion R. B. Cochrane was elected chairman of the board for 1897.

On motion the official bond of Charles G. Boise as county auditor, was approved.

On motion the official bonds of Peter H. Gilbertson as clerk of the district court, Ashel R. Baker as coroner and W. H. Butler as county superintendent of schools, were approved.

On motion the board adjourned to 1:30 p. m.

Board reconvened at 1:30 p. m. All members present. Minutes of the meeting of December 1, 1896, were read and approved.

On motion the official bonds of Oscar Barrett as register of deeds, Samuel L. Linn as sheriff, George Murray as states attorney and W. I. Warrey as county judge, were approved.

The board then proceeded to examine and audit the books, accounts and vouchers, of the county treasurer.

The board report that they have examined the books, accounts and vouchers of the county treasurer and find them correct.

In accordance with section 2080, of the revised codes of 1885, the board after computation find, that the treasurer is entitled to a balance of \$120.00, for salary for the year 1896.

On motion the bill of S H Nelson for balance of salary due for the year 1896 was allowed and ordered paid at \$120.00

On motion W H M Philip and H J Rindy, were appointed members of the board of health.

On motion W H M Philip and George Murray, were appointed members of the board of insanity.

On motion the bond of S H Nelson as county treasurer, was approved.

On motion the Steele County Tribune and the Hope Pioneer, were designated as the official newspapers for the year 1897.

On motion the application of the Steele County Bank of Hope, N. D. to be designated a county depository for 80 per cent of the county funds, was approved, said bank designated a county depository for 80 per cent of the county funds and bond fixed at \$20,000.00.

On motion the bond of the Steele County Bank as county depository in the sum of \$20,000.00, was approved.

On motion the Goose River Bank of Mayville, N. D., was designated a county depository for 10 per cent of the county funds and bond fixed at \$5,000.

On motion the First National Bank of Mayville, N. D., was designated a county depository for 10 per cent of the county funds and bond fixed at \$5,000.

On motion the bond of the First National Bank of Mayville, N. D., as county depository, in the sum of \$5,000 was approved.

On motion the bond of the Goose River Bank of Mayville, N. D. county depository, in the sum of \$5,000, was approved.

On motion the reports of fees of Charles G. Boise as clerk of court for the fourth quarter of 1896 and final report in January 1897, were approved.

A requisition from the clerk of the district court asking for 24 names to complete the jury list of the county, was received.

On motion said names were apportioned to the several towns as follows:

Newburgh, Eger and incorporated town of Hope, two names each, Norway, Westfield, Norman, Bergen, Highland, Golden Lake, Primrose, Sherbrooke, Easton, Greenview, Riverside, Melrose, Lincoln, Edendale, Broadlawn, Colgate, Hope township and Willow Lake, one name each.

In accordance with section 2080 of the revised codes of 1885, the county treasurer's salary for the year 1897, was estimated at \$1,380, and the county auditor was on motion instructed, to issue a warrant to said treasurer at the end of each month up to January 1, 1898, for one twelfth of said amount.

On motion the county auditor was allowed clerk hire for the year 1897, in an amount not to exceed \$150.

On motion the board adjourned until 7:30 p. m.

Board reconvened at 7:30 p. m., present all members.

On motion the register of deeds was allowed clerk hire for the year 1897, in a sum not to exceed \$400.

On motion the following bills were allowed and ordered paid from the county general fund:

Bernhard Johnson and Edward Evenson, bounty on one wolf killed.....	\$ 2 00
Charles G Boise, cash advanced for postage, \$5.02, telephone 50c, total.....	5 52
On motion the bill of P T Stankard, \$8.00 for a gasoline stove, was disallowed	
On motion the following bills were allowed and ordered paid from the county general fund.	
George Murray, telephone in state case, \$2.00, typewriter work in criminal cases \$2.50, one pair of shoes for Oattie Ide \$1.00, team in Ide case \$2.50, Anders E Muri paid for summoning witnesses in Ide case \$1.00, total.....	9 00
McCollow & Merriell, stove \$2.25, map case 50c, total.....	2 75
Hope Pioneer, printing commissioner proceedings, stationery and notices, total.....	12 75
Hope Pioneer, printing commissioner proceedings and stationery.....	13 60
Samuel L. Linn, sheriff's fees case state vs. Hunterly.....	4 00
W I Warrey, hauling one ton of coal from Pickert's siding.....	3 00
W H M Philip, per diem and health member board of health.....	6 00
H J Rindy, mileage as member board of health.....	1 20
L C Goplerud, cash advanced for postage.....	3 70
W S Henry, mileage visiting schools.....	14 98
W S Henry, cash advanced for postage.....	2 70
Samuel L Linn, care and board of prisoners.....	15 25
Daniel S Greenen, banking office of register of deeds.....	1 00
S H Nelson, discount allowed on 1896 taxes.....	58
M B Cassell, cash advanced for postage.....	12 08
Steele County Tribune, printing commissioner's proceedings and notices teachers examination.....	4 65
Chriat Christensen, cleaning offices \$2.00, and removing	

snow from court house and outhouses \$2.00, total..... 4 00
On motion the board adjourned to Tuesday, January 12, 1896, at 9 a. m.

R. B. COCHRANE,
Chairman.

CHARLES G. BOISE,
County Auditor.

"Give a Calf Rope Enough and He will Hang Himself."

If States Attorney Geo. Murray is at all anxious to perform the duties of his office and prosecute the case, State of North Dakota vs. W. I. Warrey, for assault; he is indeed acting very strangely; not withstanding the fact that both he and Warrey—as county officials—took the following official oaths of their offices:

"I do solemnly swear that I will support the constitution of the United States and the constitution of the state of North Dakota, faithfully, and impartially, and discharge the duties of my offices (states attorney and county judge) of the county of Steele, and state of North Dakota, to the best of my ability. So HELP ME GOD."

Neither the constitution of the United States nor that of North Dakota permits any official to sneak up behind a man and hit him a crack behind the ear—and if he does, he is subject to double punishment—that of the usual fine of the courts; and his office can also be taken away from him—and right here is where the shoe pinches in this particular case.

When the case was called before Judge Presely, Warrey asked for a change of venue, swearing that he thought he could not get a fair trial in Hope.

It was all out and dried—it seemed—that it should be taken before Judge Patterson, up near Mayville—the judge being in Canada—and they of course knew it—more time will necessarily be given them. This is about the way it looks to most people—and we think so.

We asked that the case be taken to the nearest justice to Hope—providing it could not be tried by any of our judges in Hope. But, we were informed by the states attorney that should the two attorneys—he and Shippy—agree on any justice in the county, that we, the plaintiff, would have nothing to say. If that is law, we are willing to abide by it. But the actions of the states attorney would lead one to believe that he is defending Warrey instead of the plaintiff, as the laws requires him to do. They know they are beat in the eyes of the people—and we have won our case. It may be law, to act as they are doing—but it is by know means justice. And when we go 30 miles up to Judge Patterson's—sometimes next spring or summer—will we then get justice?

If Warrey is so sure he is right, why don't he come to trial? Why not try the case here at home where it belongs—and at once? Or in other words it should have been tried and settled two weeks ago. Any citizen of Steele county will agree with us on this point. But then, this is a funny world, and all kinds of people in it.

OUR ASSISTANT EDITORS

Colgate.

When George Foster arrived here last Friday from the Twin Cities, he had a parrot with him, and it is a matter of considerable comment among the neighbors, that George, who has always been treated white by the people of this community, and who has always been considered a law abiding citizen, should bring a parrot into a peaceful locality without any provocation whatever. This parrot has been taught to say its prayers, and consequently, can be safely called a bird of prey—without violating the truth in any way. Mr. Foster allows inquisitive children to stick their fingers into the cage to see what the parrot will do. Of course the parrot is allowed to keep the fingers as a slight token of regards and as keepsakes, to remember the children by, and the children are shy a finger a piece to remember the parrot by. In this way the parrot and the children form a kind of mutual memento-exchange society. This bird will eat anything, and is especially fond of overcoat buttons, and broken glass bottles. Mr. Foster would like to trade the parrot for a bear or a young populist.

When it comes to matters of public interest, Colgate never lets behind if it is small.

We have our little differences of opinion and sand to back them, as well as towns of much larger size. Last Monday Byron Crum went in to Smith's store and got into a dispute with Jay Smith over the merits of a shot gun he owned. During the conversation, Jay, with malice afore thought and injurious intent, openly intimated that Byron's gun was not as good a shooter as a gun he (Jay) owned. Now if there is anything in this world that will rankle in the bosom of a sportsman like Byron, it is an accusation to the detriment of his shot gun, and as the story goes the dispute grew fast and furious until Jay lost control of himself and called Byron a liar. This rather astonished Byron as this was the first intimation he had that Jay knew anything about a matter which he always supposed he had kept a secret. But Byron has lots of sand if he is a boy, and he told Jay if he would come out doors he would feed his flesh to the beasts of the field and the fowls of the air, but it seems that just before he could get out of the door, Jay got him down on his face and scratched him up a little. When Byron regained his feet he asked Jay if he meant anything personal by that and Jay said: "No, not at all, not at all." But in spite of this assurance Byron had his suspicions that Jay was mad and he told Jay to either come out in the street and fight it out or he would have him arrested on a charge of "salt and buttery." Jay accepted of the latter and how the matter will terminate, time and the neighbors will tell.

JOHNATHAN BEESWAX.

Mortgage Sale.

Notice is hereby given, that a certain mortgage, executed and delivered by Hattie M. McMahon, and Edward J. McMahon, husband of Hattie M. McMahon, to James P. McMahon, dated the 18th day of January, A. D. 1894, and filed for record in the office of the register of deeds, of the county of Steele, and state of North Dakota, on the 27th day of July, 1895, at nine o'clock a. m., and was duly recorded in book "5" of mortgages on page 127, will be foreclosed by sale of the premises in such mortgage, and hereinafter described, at the front door of the court house, in the village of Sherbrooke, in the county of Steele, and state of North Dakota, at the hour of Two o'clock in the afternoon on the

6th day of February, A. D. 1897, to satisfy the amount due upon said mortgage upon the day of sale. The premises described in such mortgage, and which will be sold to satisfy the same are described as follows to-wit:

All of the northwest quarter of section twenty-one, in township one hundred forty-five, north of range fifty seven, west, in Steele county, North Dakota.

There will be due on such mortgage, on the date of sale the sum of Three Thousand Two Hundred and Fifty-seven dollars.

JAMES P. McMAHON, Mortgagee.
THOMAS J. McMAHON, Attorney for Mortgagee.
Hope, N. Dak. [1st pub Dec 24]

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